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Honorable Members of the Judiciary Committee,

I OPPOSE Bill 6355

An Act Concerning Risk Protection Orders Or Warrants.

This updated version of the "Risk Protection Orders" removes one of the protections of ensuring that the allegation is based in fact. Removing those 2 officers must complete an investigation first and the removal of applying even on the weekends to a Judge weakens the Due Process Clause. In *Mullane v. Central Hanover Bank*, the 14th Amendment was used to ensure that Due Process requires at a minimum (1) notice; (2) an opportunity to be heard; and (3) an impartial tribunal before property is taken.

I SUPPORT Bill 6491

An Act Concerning Non-lethal Electronic Defense Weapons.

In *Caetano v. Massachusetts*, 577 U.S. ____ (2016) SCOTUS ruled "the Second Amendment extends, prima facie, to all instruments that constitute bearable arms, even those that were not in existence at the time of the founding" and that "the Second Amendment right is fully applicable to the States".[6] The term "bearable arms" was defined in *District of Columbia v. Heller*, 554 U.S. 570 (2008) and includes any "[w]eapo[n] of offense" or "thing that a man wears for his defense, or takes into his hands," that is "carr[ied] . . . for the purpose of offensive or defensive action." 554 U.S., at 581, 584 (internal quotation marks omitted)." Connecticut needs to fall in line with SCOTUS decision.

Thank you,

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